

1957

# MINUTES

OF THE

**FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION**

OF THE

## *Eureka Association*

THE CHURCH OF GOD DENOMINATED

## **FREE WILL BAPTIST**

When convened at the permanent home of the Eureka Free Will Baptist Association, four miles East of Stigler or seven miles West of Keota, Okla., on Wednesday night before the First Sunday in September, 1957, A. D.

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The next Session Will Convene at the Eureka Association Tabernacle, four miles East of Stigler, Oklahoma on Wednesday night before the First Sunday in September, 1958

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Wed. Evening  
OPENING MESSAGE  
Rev. Oran Estes  
followed by  
Rev. Hubert Brown

Thurs. 11:00 A. M.  
INTRODUCTORY SERMON  
Rev. Norman Woodruff  
followed by  
Rev. Carlile Rose

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Rev. Ed S. Sunday .....	Moderator
Rev. Norman Woodruff .....	Assistant Moderator
Bro. Fred Duncan .....	Clerk
Sis. Lessie Bailes .....	Assistant Clerk

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—YOUTH CAMP MINUTES ON CONCLUDING PAGES—

## **RULES OF ORDER**

1. At every setting, business shall be opened and concluded by prayer, by the moderator or whomsoever he may call on.
2. Visiting ministers present are invited to seat in council and allowed to take part in debates on all subjects, but are not allowed to vote.
3. Those who speak shall arise and address the moderator personally, reflections shall be avoided in all debates.
4. No motion shall be discussed without being seconded.
5. When a motion has been made and seconded and a member opposes its discussion, the moderator shall put question: shall it be discussed.
6. If any proposition or motion under debate contains two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member and a vote taken.
7. A motion made and lost shall not be recorded.
8. No one shall speak more than twice on any subject without special permission of the Moderator.
9. The Moderator shall have the authority to object to any discussion not carried on in a Christian spirit.
10. All questions shall be decided by a majority of the members present.
11. No member shall absent himself or herself without special leave of the Moderator.
12. Minutes shall be leisurely read and corrected before the close of the Association.
14. The Rules of Order shall be distinctly read from the Chair immediately after organization of the Association.
15. Alterations shall be made in these rules at any regular session of this association.

## **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. House called to order by the Moderator.
2. Letters called for and received.
3. Right hand of fellowship is extended.
4. Election of Officers.
5. Reading Rules of Order.
6. Petitionary letters called for.
7. Introductory sermon to be preached.
8. Inviting visiting Brethren to seat in Council.
9. Appointment of Committees.
10. New Business.
11. Miscellaneous Business.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**—5 year man—Rev. U. C. Purdom; 4-year man—Rev. Bart Clark; 3-year man—Rev. O. D. Wickem; 2-year man—Rev. Norman Woodruff; 1-year man—Rev. Curtis Maxwell.

**EXAMINING COMMITTEE**—5-year man—Rev. C. E. Kennedy; 4-year man—Rev. Hubert Brown; 3-year man—Rev. Ed Sunday; 2-year man—Rev. U. C. Purdom; 1-year man—Rev. Norman Woodruff.

**YARD COMMITTEE**—Bro. Will LaFave—3-year member; Bro. Bob Bailes—2-year member; Rev. Otho Williams—1-year member.

## **CONSTITUTION**

From the long experience, we the members of the Free Will Baptist Church of God, being regularly baptized upon a profession of our faith in Jesus Christ, and being convinced of the necessity of a combination of churches to perpetuate a union among us and to preserve and maintain correspondence with each other, we therefore ordain this constitution for better church government.

1. This association shall be composed of members chosen by different churches in our union, not exceeding three delegates from each church and on producing letters shall be entitled to seats.

2. Letters from different churches are to express the number in fellowship, the number received by experience of grace, number by letter of recommendation, the number dismissed, excluded, restored, and those who have died since the association.

3. The members thus chosen and convened to be denominated the Eureka Association of Free Will Baptist, being composed of sundry churches in the Eureka Association — the association having no power to lord it over God's heritage nor to have any ecclesiastical power over any church becoming disorderly.

4. The association to have a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer who are to be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

5. Newly constituted churches may be admitted to the association, they are found to be orthodox and orderly they may be received into the association, the moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.

6. No question from any church shall come under consideration of the association unless it has first been discussed in its own church.

7. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the association, except when it is withdrawn by the member who made it.

8. The association is to endeavor to furnish the church with minutes of the association in proportion to the number of members in each church, distribution being at the discretion of the association.

9. It shall be the duty of the clerk to keep a regular file of the minutes of the association for that purpose.

10. The minutes of the association shall be read and corrected if needed and signed by the moderator and clerk before the close of the association.

11. Amendments to the constitution may be made when it is necessary, by a majority of the members present.

### ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one true and living God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost and these three are one in divine essence, power and glory. Romans 1-2; 1st John 1-7; John 17-21.

2. We believe that the Scripture of the Old and New Testament is the inspired Word of God and the only infallible rule of faith and practice. Second Timothy 3-16; Matthew 5-18.

3. We believe that God created man good, and gave his holy commandments whereby we should live; holy, but man voluntarily fell under the just condemnation of the same, whereby all mankind are sinners, not by constraint, but by choice, being partakers of the sinful nature attained by the fall and that man is unable to save himself with his own power, but we see Jesus for suffering of death crowned with glory. That He by the grace of God should taste death for every man. Gen. 3:17; Heb. 2:9.

4. We believe that Christ by His death, suffering and resurrection purchased our pardon and offered it freely to all mankind upon principles of repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. He now commands all men everywhere to repent therefore he sayeth, "Look unto Me and be saved, all ye ends of the earth, for I am God and there is none else." Matt. 4:17; Isaiah 45:22; Acts 20:20.

5. We believe that adult persons must be regenerated and born of the Spirit of God, to inherit eternal life. John 3:3; 1st Peter 1:23

6. We believe that infants and idiots are saved upon the merit of the Son of God. John 4:11; Mark 10:14; Deut. 1:39.

7. We believe that all Christians must preserve in grace and be faithful to the end if they may have right to the tree of life and enter through the gate into the city. Rev. 22:14; Matt. 24:13.

8. The Terms of Salvation: The conditions of salvation are: 1. Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and hearty renunciation of it. 2. Faith or the unreserved committal of one's self to Christ as Savior and Lord with purpose to love and obey Him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith the soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit, freed from the domain of sin and becomes a child of God. 3. Continuance in faith and obedience unto death.

9. We believe that God in His goodness displays His power of grace in great degree in calling and qualifying His servants by teaching of the Holy Ghost and by instruction of his word to go forth and nothing prevents the salvation of any but their stubborn rebellion and sinful refusal to come. 1 Cor. 12-13; Eph. 3:7; Rev. 22:17.

10. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper and washing the Saint's feet are divine ordinances and should be observed by all His children. Mar. 14:22; John 13:4-14; Math. 28:19-20; I Tim. 5:10.

11. We believe that none have a right to baptism only those who have a living hope in the Lord Jesus Christ, and none have the right to administer the same only those who have come under the hands of the presbytery of orders, and each church ought to have a pastor, deacon, and clerk chosen by the church, ought to have office during the good pleasure of same dealing with disorderly members, reference should be had to the 18th chapter of Matthew and other Scriptures relative to dealing with disorderly members, and then it must be unanimous. Titus 1:5; Acts 14:23; II Corinthians 6:6.

12. We believe it is the duty of each church to assemble themselves together once a month and that it is the duty of the pastor of the church in the setting forth of the Lord's Supper and washing the Saint's feet or let as many examine himself and so let him eat. I Cor. 11:28; John 13:14.

13. We believe that sanctification and holiness is a Bible doctrine that immortality is God dwelling in the lives so when this corruptible shall have put on corruption and this mortal shall have put on immortality then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory". That it is our duty to be tender and affectionate to one another and to study the happiness of the people of God in general and to singly engage to promote the honor and glory of God. Gal. 6:10; I John 2:9.

14. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, of both the just and unjust; the just to glory and immortality in the presence of God; the unjust to everlasting shame and banishment from the presence of God. Matt. 24:31; Cor. 16:42; Thes. 1:10; Rev. 20:12-13.

### CHURCH COVENANT

Having been brought, as humbly trust, by divine grace to embrace the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior and having thus obtained justification by faith in His name, we as members of several churches that constitute the Eureka Association of Free Will Baptist adopt the following as our covenant.

1. To watch over each other in love, to pray for each other as members of a common faith ever striving to keep the unit of spirit in the bond of peace.

2. We will not speak evil of each other nor will we persecute or expose the faults of the weak members of our churches; but we will endeavor to be governed by Paul's instruction to Timothy, "That we will reprove, rebuke and exhort" each other as members of a common brotherhood.

3. We are commanded to do good unto all men, especially to those of the household of faith. But we should remember that our relations to each other are closer and the obligations more binding than that of a common hand of Christian charity. In adopting this covenant, we become as a family and assume in a Christian sense the care and responsibility that the members of a family shall feel for each other.

4. We will attend the stated meetings of our churches unless we are providentially hindered, or uncontrollable circumstances prevent us. And we will contribute of our means as the Lord has prospered us for the support of our pastor and other necessary expenses of our own church to that of any other and we will pray for our pastor while he is preaching the word of God to us.

5. We will not neglect secret and public prayers and those of us who are heads of families will strive to dedicate our households to the service of God by teaching our children the great necessity of the Christian religion as the only hope of happiness after death. We will adopt the Covenant of Joshua, the servant of the Lord, and say, "But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

#### **CHURCH ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Called to order by Moderator.
2. Called into conference, or vote, to go into conference.
3. Call for peace of the Church, (all who are at peace with God and with each other, hold up your right hand).
4. Visiting brethren invited to seat in Council, (Visiting members from other Free Will Baptist Churches).
5. Reading of minutes of last conference.
6. Reading of Treasurer's report.
7. Unfinished Business.      8. New Business.
9. Report of Delegates to Association or Quarterly Meetings.
10. Are there any sick, or in distress?
11. Support of Ministry and other expenses.
12. Call for Confession.      13. Invitation for members.
14. Adjournment.

#### **OPENING SERVICE**

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT, AUGUST 28, 1957**

Songs: No. 154, "Victory In Jesus", and No. 141, "Are You Washed In the Blood?" Had United Prayer, then sang No. 41, "Amazing Grace".

The Devotional Service was conducted by Bro. Bob Bailes. Then another song, No. 90, "When We All Get To Heaven".

The opening message was preached by Rev. A. A. Holdridge, reading scripture from Malachi 3rd chapter and the 7th verse, and the subject being "Return Unto Me, And I Will Return Unto You". Also reading scripture from Luke, 15th chapter and 12th verse.

Songs: No. 194, "Will Jesus Find Us Watching", and No. 184, "I'll Fly Away". Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Otho Williams.

#### **THURSDAY MORNING SESSION**

The congregation came to order by singing No. 53, "I've Got To Cross That Lonely River", conducted by Bro. Lon Mabray, with Sister Dee Arthur Yandell at the piano. After which our moderator took charge making a short talk on the improvement of our association and extending a hearty welcome to one and all for the 49th session.

The Devotional Scripture reading was from Phillippians, second chapter, beginning with first verse and reading through the fifteenth, after which Bro. W. M. LaFave led our hearts and minds to the Lord in prayer.

Our moderator, Rev. Ed S. Sunday, then declared the body in conference.

First business in conference was the call for letters of representation, 20 churches being represented at the first call. A motion was then moved and second to receive letters as read, and seat the delegates.

Grand River Association, represented by corresponding letter, of which the delegates were seated and a hearty welcome extended by our moderator.

#### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Nominations in order for candidates to be elected moderator, assistant moderator, clerk and assistant clerk for the ensuing year.

The moderator, Rev. Ed S. Sunday, was retained through a motion moved and seconded and carried by a large vote. Rev. Norman Woodruff and Rev. C. N. Rose were nominated for assistant, with Rev. Woodruff being elected the moderator's assistant.

A motion was moved and seconded and carried by a large vote to retain the clerk and assistant clerk for the ensuing year.

Had an old time Hand Shake while singing No. 150, "I'm Not Ashamed".

Then a motion was moved and seconded to recess conference until 1:30 p.m., at which time conference and business activities will be resumed.

#### **ELEVEN O'CLOCK SERVICE**

Song, No. 8, "He Set Me Free", conducted by Rev. Ed S. Sunday. Prayer by Rev. Jake Gage. Song, No. 200, "Just Over In the Glory Land", led by Bro. Lon Mabray. Then a prayer by Rev. Ernest Harrison.

## INTRODUCTORY SERMON

Rev. Norman Woodruff preached the Introductory Message. Scripture taken from the third chapter of First Timothy, 14th and 15th verses. A wonderful message on Obedience to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, was delivered.

Announcements were made by our State Executive, Rev. E. M. Kennedy, and Rev. Ernest Harrison, member of the state Sunday School Board.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Dee Arthur Yandell.

## THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The moderator, Rev. Ed S. Sunday, called the house to order and declared the body in conference. Bro. Lon Mabray conducted songs Nos. 40 and 89, "I'm Glad That Jesus Came", and "I Must Tell Jesus".

Devotional by Rev. Jake Gage, reading from Romans Sixth chapter, first through sixteenth verses. Prayer by Bro. Bob Bailes. Appointment of Committees.

Letters called for—two received, read, and delegates seated.

Special song: Male Quartette consisting of Rev. Ed S. Sunday, tenor; Rev. E. M. Kennedy, high tenor; Lon Mabray, baritone; and Fred Duncan, bass, "I'll Carry the Load", being the title of song.

Speaking: A short talk was made by Rev. J. A. Russell promoting the "United Drys" program against the degradation, ruination and condemnation that beer and drink are bringing upon the youth of our land and country.

Appointment of Committees.

The moderator, Rev. Ed S. Sunday read the Rules of Order from page 1 of the Minutes.

Received report of Devotional Committee, and a motion was moved and seconded to recess conference until 9:30 Friday morning, when conference and business activities will continue.

## THURSDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Opening song: No. 76, "I Choose Jesus", led by Bro. Lonnie Long. Songs No. 172 and 132, "Some Day We Know" and "Beyond the Sunset", conducted by Bro. Lon Mabray. Prayer by Bro. Riley Wallace. Song No. 128, "Heavenly Sunlight".

Special: "Blessed Jesus Dearly Loves You", arranged by the Panama quartette. "Who Would Want To Live Without A Savior", rendered by the Hoyt Youth Quartette. Also a special quartette, arranged by Rev. Oma Viles, "That's the Man I Long To Be Like". "Will It Do Precious Lord", rendered by the Stigler Quartette.

The Devotional Service was led by Sister Rust, and was very ably conducted.

Rev. Ed S. Sunday preached the evening sermon, reading scripture from chapter 14, verse six of John.



### FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Opening song, No. 206, "I'll Carry the Load", conducted by Rev. Leonard Crowder.

Rev. Dale Tanksley, pastor of the Star Free Will Baptist Church, read Devotional scripture from Proverbs, the sixth chapter.

The Moderator, Rev. Sunday in charge, the business session opened by Rev. Herbert Rogers leading in prayer. Then the session was declared in conference, and Rev. Crowder conducted song No. 198, "When the Redeemed Are Gathering In".

Letters called for—3 received, and a motion was moved and seconded to receive them as read and seat the delegates.

Motion moved and seconded to discuss a plan to finance the printing of the Minutes and other expenses of the Association. The plan adopted was: All churches with a membership of 35 or less to bring \$5.00, and all churches over 35 to bring \$10.00 as expense of preparing the Minutes. A vote was cast, with 48 for and none against.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

Rev. Oma Viles and Rev. Charles Flynn made requests for Letters of Recommendation from the Eureka Association. The requests were granted and recommendations written. Rev. Viles going to school at Nashville, Tenn., and Rev. Flynn moving to Weleetka to pastor the F. W. B. church there.

### EXAMINING COUNCIL

Motion was moved and seconded to retain Rev. C. E. Kennedy as the 5-year member, and Rev. Ed S. Sunday was elected as the 3-year member, filling the vacancy caused by Rev. McCage leaving.

The Clerk's Report was read, received, and approved.

All Delegates recommended to the Eureka Association as Delegates to the State Association were approved by a vote of the body.

### PLACING QUARTERLY MEETINGS

(1) CHRISTIAN GROVE—Introductory message bearer, Rev. Ed S. Sunday. Alternate, Rev. Bart Clark, Sept. 26, 1957.

(2) PANAMA—Introductory Message Bearer, Rev. I. L. Florence. Alternate, Rev. Dale Tanksley. Dec. 26, 1957.

(3) HOYT—Introductory Message Bearer, Rev. Norman Woodruff. Alternate, Rev. U. C. Purdom. March 27, 1958.

(4) PRAIRIE GROVE—Introductory Message Bearer, Rev. Oren Estes. Alternate, Rev. O. D. Wickem. June 26, 1958.

(5) PERRY—Introductory Message Bearer, Rev. Dale Tanksley. Alternate, Rev. Chas. Hanna. Aug. 28, 1958.

### ASSOCIATION

Opening Message Bearer, Rev. Oren Estes; Alternate, Rev. Hubert Brown.

Introductory Message Bearer, Rev. Norman Woodruff. Alternate, Rev. Carlile Rose.

Letters called for—1 received. Total, 24. A motion was moved and seconded to receive letter as read, and seat the delegate.

Rev. Harry Stairs, State Association Moderator, made talk and commented on our Association and its tributaries.

Conference was adjourned until 1:30 p.m. in favor of the Eleven O'clock Service.

### **ELEVEN O'CLOCK SERVICE**

Song, No. 41, "Amazing Grace", conducted by Bro. Clayton Bumpers. Song, No. 51, "Everybody Will Be Happy Over There", by Rev. O. D. Wickem. Prayer by Rev. Norman Woodruff.

Quartette arranged by Bro. Lon Mabray, with Rev. Leonard Crowder, soprano; Ruby LaFave, alto; Rev. Otho Williams, tenor; and Fred Duncan, bass.

Rev. Ed S. Sunday then introduced Rev. Leonard Crowder as the Eleven o'clock message bearer. Scripture reading from the 12th chapter and the 21st verse of the Book of St. John. Subject "Seeing Jesus". A wonderful, inspiring message was delivered. Dismissed in prayer by Rev. C. E. Kennedy.

### **AFTERNOON SESSION**

Opening songs: "Jesus Saves", and "I'm Glad That Jesus Came", conducted by Bro. Lon Mabray.

Devotional scripture read by Rev. A. A. Holdridge, from Revelations, 21st chapter, 1st thru 4th verses. Prayer by Sister Ledy Perkins.

Motion was moved and seconded to accept Rev. O. D. Wickem as a Minister of this Association.

All committees were dismissed to complete reports.—See committees.

Song, No. 41, "Amazing Grace", led by Bro. Lon Mabray. Rev. Harry Stairs, State Association Moderator, made talk on the Church, Auxilliary, and Sunday School.

The Yard Committee gave its Finance Report. Motion moved and seconded to receive report as read. Carried.

Excutive Committee members elected.—(See Committees).

### **REPORT OF COMMITTEES**

Motion moved and seconded to accept first part of Minister's Character Report.

Motion was moved and seconded to remove Bill Johnson's name from our Ministers' Roll in the Minutes.

Motion was moved and seconded to accept the Deacons' Character Committee Report.

Motion moved and seconded to adjourn conference until 9:30 on Saturday morning. Motion carried. Dismissed by prayer.

## FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Song, "Can He Depend On You". Prayer by Rev. Carl Pugh. Songs, "I'll Carry the Load", "Lord Jesus Lead Me On", "Will It Do, Precious Lord", "I Never Shall Deny His Name", all special quartettes, and "I Know Who Holds Tomorrow", soloed by Cleo Linton. Another song "Looking For A City", conducted by Rev. Leonard Crowder.

Devotional services conducted by Sister Pauline Apple. A wonderful time in the Lord was had, with old time shouting and praising God.

Rev. Glen Dipboye brought the evening message, reading scripture from acts, the 24th chapter and 24th verse. Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Leonard Crowder.

## FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Opening song, "I've Got To Cross That Lonely River", and "Remember Me", led by Sister Ruby LaFave.

Rev. Roy Bryant read the Devotional from Ephesians 5th chapter and 1st through 19th verse. Prayer by the Moderator, Rev. Ed S. Sunday. Also our Moderator gave the welcome address to all present. Then declared the body back in session.

First business to come before the body was report of Co-Operative Plan, by Rev. Sunday.

Motion was moved and seconded to accept the report as read. Nomination is in order for Secretary-Treasurer of Co-Op Plan. A motion was moved and seconded to retain Bro. Sunday for this post. Carried.

Resolutions Committee Report was in three portions: Motion was moved and seconded to accept portions one and two; but portion three to be amended to include the Youth Encampment on the Entrance Sign.—See Report.

The Murry Spur Church had a request in their letter that Bro. Charles Hanna be examined for ordination as a Free Will Baptist minister. Bro. Hanna to be ordained at the Murry Spur Church of which he is now pastor.

## ELEVEN O'CLOCK SERMON

Opening song, "Camping In Canaan's Land", also No. 206, "I'll Carry the Load". Prayer by Sister Violet Oliver. Special quartette, "I'll Not Be A Stranger", arranged by Iron Bridge 4.

Report of Obituary Committee. Report received and discharged the committee. Prayer by Bro. Gene Medlock.

Rev. O. D. Wickem delivered the Memorial Sermon, reading from the third chapter of Ephesians, the 14th and 15th verses. Text, "Home". Scripture, "For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole family in Heaven and earth is named". A wonderful message of consolation was preached. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Ova Lee Hancock.

## **SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION**

Opening song, "When The Redeemed Are Gathering In". Devotional reading by Rev. Carl Pugh. Scripture from chapter 6, beginning with the 10th and including the 18th verse of Ephesians. Prayer by the association clerk, Fred Duncan.

The first business to come before the body was placing of the Fifth Sunday Meeting.

Talk by James Williams, vice-president of the Youth Encampment as a report and on ideas as to improvements possible.

Nomination in order to nominate and elect a Committee to prepare a brief history of the Eureka Association of Free Will Baptists. The committee nominated were Sister Dovie LaFave and Rev. C. E. Kennedy. A motion was then moved and seconded that nomination cease and elect by acclamation.

Motion was moved and seconded to strike the word "Request" and replace with "Recommend", in the report concerning Ordaining Ministers and Deacons at the Church. The purpose of this was to leave it possible to have Ordination Services at the Tabernacle when and if desired.

Motion was moved and seconded to receive reports and discharge the committees.

A motion was then moved and seconded that when a member desired to become a Deacon, the church set him aside to be on trial for one year before being ordained. A vote was cast and carried by a large vote.

Motion moved and seconded that the Laws or Rules coming before a Quarterly meeting, become a law without the approval of the association to be discussed by the Moderator, and whosoever will. Discussed by several. Then a motion was moved and seconded to table the preceding motion and second indefinitely.

## **REPORT OF EXAMINING COUNCIL**

The Examining Committee find Bro. Loyd Linton orthodox and recommend his ordination as a Deacon. The report was received and accepted, and the committee discharged.

Delegates were elected to represent this association with a letter at the Roberts McGee on Sept. 5, and also Zion Hope, on Sept. 12, 1957.

Our Moderator, Rev. Ed S. Sunday, extended an invitation and opportunity to all young ministers present, to make talks as to the dictates of their hearts. There were five young ministers present, each preaching wonderful sermons for the short period allotted to speak.

## GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY

Since the next setting being the Fiftieth session of the Eureka Association, a motion was moved and seconded to set aside Friday afternoon for a program observing the Golden Anniversary of the Eureka Association. The committee appointed to plan the program was Bro. Bob Bailes, Bro. Otho Williams, Rev. Ed S. Sunday and Bro. Will LaFave. These four were elected to serve as a program committee.

There being no other business to come before the Association body, a motion was moved and seconded to adjourn conference until the next regular setting, which will convene on Wednesday evening before the first Sunday in September, 1958. Dismissed by Rev. Ed S. Sunday in prayer.

## SATURDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Opening song, No. 206, "I'll Carry the Load". Also No. 118, "When He Blessed My Soul". United prayer with the Youth gathered at the Altar. Song, No. 96, "I'm Going That Way". Special: "We'll Tour the Golden City". Duet: "When We Meet You In Heaven Above".

Bro. A. J. Robinson conducted the Devotional service. Song No. 161, "Some Glad Day When Jesus Comes".

Rev. Oma Viles to bring the message, reading scripture from Titus: chapter 2, verses 11 through 15. A wonderful sermon was delivered. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Charles Don Robertson.

Fred Duncan, Association Clerk

Lessie Bailes, Assistant Clerk

Rev. Ed S. Sunday, Moderator

Rev. Norman Woodruff, Assistant Moderator

## DELEGATES TO STATE ASSOCIATION

STIGLER—Sister Vera Prentice .....	\$5.00
POTEAU—Sister Alma Lou Barber .....	5.00
MCCURTAIN—Sister S. A. Lemley .....	5.00
LONE ELM—Bro. Gene Medlock .....	5.00
OAK RIDGE—Bro. Bob Bailes .....	5.00
PANAMA—Sister Dessie Carter .....	5.00
KEOTA—Sister Hester Claunch .....	5.00

## VISITING MINISTERS

Rev. E. M. Kennedy

Rev. Earnest Harrison

Rev. O. D. Wickem

Rev. Jake Gage

Rev. Dee Arthur Yandell

Rev. Raymond Qualls

Rev. J. A. Russell

Rev. Herbert Rogers

Rev. McDuffy

Rev. Venable

Rev. Leonard Crowder

Rev. Glen Dipboye

Rev. Harry Stairs

## COMMITTEES

**DEACONS' CHARACTER**—We, your committee on deacons' character, beg leave to report as follows: The churches that we have been able to contact have all given good reports on their deacons, and as far as we know all of our deacons are in good standing. We adopt the old report, and to stress again the need of each deacon attending the quarterly meetings. Sister Juenita Robertson, Sister Susie Holdridge, Bro. Willburn Cordle.

**Old Report:** We suggest that our deacons read the first book of Tim. 3rd chapter. We also ask that the report of 1954 be retained. That each church of our Association stress and enforce the qualifications of deacons, as recorded in the first book of Tim. and the 3rd chapter.

**QUERY AND REQUEST**—We, your committee on Query and Request beg leave to report as follows: We recommend that the ordination service be returned back to the churches, or some place other than the Association. Sister Bessie Fowler, Bro. Walter Kates, Bro. Leslie Johnson.

**MINISTERS' CHARACTER**—We, your committee on Ministers' Characters, beg leave to report as follows: We adopt the old report. Bro. Monroe Gideon, Sis. Cletis Rust, Sis. Lude Perkins.

**Old Report:** That as far as we know all of our ministers are in good standing. We recommend that they strictly adhere to the doctrine of the Free Will Baptist. We also recommend that our ministers be more interested in our Association and quarterly meetings, as they are supposed to be an example and leaders of the flock, in which the Holy Ghost has made them overseers. We also recommend that our ministers come near the front at our services, wherever it might be.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**—We, your committee on Sunday School beg leave to report that we adopt the 1954 report. Sister Wanda Davis, Sis. Neta Ward, Sister Nancy Rice.

**1954 Report:** That there be a Committee of two appointed in each Sunday School to supervise and encourage the Youth Camp Meeting, also that there be a League organized in each church for the benefit of the young people.

We ask that each church take a greater interest in Sunday School, for it's the life of the church. We recommend that each Sunday School of this association use Free Will Baptist Literature for we know it is the true doctrine. We further request that all Sunday School teachers should be Christians, for it is impossible for the unsaved to teach the word of God. The Committee's prayers are behind the young folk, and we pray that their fathers and mothers will take a greater interest in Sunday School work, and that all Christians practice keeping the Sabbath Holy, by taking their children to Sunday School, instead of sending them.

## 1957 RESOLUTIONS

No. 1 We, your committee on resolutions beg leave to report as follows: We are asking for consideration for rest rooms in connection with our youth camp building program.

No. 2 We ask for new pulpit, also a new table. Sister Beulah Williams donated the table. Bro. Bob Bailes was to see about the pulpit.

No. 3 We ask that signs be erected to direct the people to the Association ground. AMENDMENT—To place signs at Stigler, also at Highway 9, going into highway at McCurtain. Also sign at entrance on camp ground.

## RESOLUTIONS

(2nd) Be it resolved that we place the Fifth Sunday Conferences back to the Churches of our Association, instead of having them at the Tabernacle. Therefore strike No. 2 from 1954 Resolutions.

(3rd) Be it resolved that this Association buy 100 new song books for use at the Tabernacle.

We, your committee on Resolutions beg leave to report, that we also adopt the old report. Sis. Oleta Carrauthers, Bro. Linsey Ray, Henry Royce.

Old Report: We, your Resolution Committee beg leave to report that we retain the 1954 Resolutions, as follows:

No. 1 Be it resolved that the tabernacle and grounds be reserved in the future for the use of Free Will Baptist and such public gatherings as singing conventions. Vote to be taken without discussion. Motion carried.

No. 3 Be it resolved that no church in the Eureka Association call, elect or receive any minister from any other Free Will Baptist Association as pastor, out-of-the-state or in-the-state, without first making a thorough investigation of his activity of faith and practice and manner of life; or unless we personally know him and his activities: Matt. 7:15, beware of false prophets which comes to you in sheep clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Acts 20:28, 29, 30.

No. 4 We recommend that the association provide some plan of paying the executive committee expenses.

No. 5 Whereas there are different practices among us, relative to moving our church membership, and recognizing a need that there be uniformity among us in moving and maintaining our church membership, be it resolved: that when we move our membership, we present ourselves to the church we propose to belong on the promise of a letter, and that the church clerk of said church write the clerk from which we are moving for the said letter.

No. 6 Be it further resolved that the pastor, and board of deacons examine the church membership roll each year, and if any member is in question they recommend to the church proper action to be taken.

Therefore keeping our church membership rolls in order and up-to-date. We the Resolution Committee suggest that in regard to resolution No. 5, that the church who calls for the executive committee, pay expenses if at all possible. Also that we take a free will offering during this session, and association sessions following, so as to establish a fund to take care of this matter and the association clerk be in charge of it. If the church cannot pay expenses, the executive committee is authorized to report to clerk, and he or she will pay out of the fund.

### 1955 RESOLUTIONS

No. 1 Be it resolved that our ministers attend our associations and also report their years work if not providentially hindered, and if so, to notify the association in writing.

No. 2 We resolve to eliminate the word old, as connected with the Eureka Association on our minutes. Also that we eliminate the small line (since the division from Roberts McGee in 1924-A.D.). We further resolve to use our own ministers in our Youth Camp meeting.

No. 3 Be it resolved that any of our ministers who have forsaken our denomination, be forbidden to hold revivals in our churches. Signed: Your committee: Bro. A. A. Holdridge, Brother Woodruff, Sis. Dorsie Medlock, Bro. Coffee, Bro. Kennedy.

Committee—Sis. Ruby Maxwell, Bro. A. A. Holdridge, Bro. Otho Williams.

**OBITUARY—PANAMA**—Bro. Luther Wilson, Sis. Mary Ward. **McCURTAIN**—Bro. Joe Dunham. **STIGLER**—Bro. Luther Roberts, Bro. Murray Bailes, Sis. Patterson, Bro. Lindsey Lewis, Sis. Eva Conklin. **ROCK FORD**—Sis. Cravens, Sis. Maggie Williams. **TAM-AHA**—Sis. Lillie Reynolds. **OLD PANTHER**—Sis. Nettie Brassfield. **KEOTA**—Rev. C. R. Pearson, Bro. R. Ruth, Sis. Lillie Tabor. **CHRISTIAN GROVE**—Bro. Coontz Conrod. **CROSS ROADS**—Sis. Mollie Sheppard. **PORUM**—Sis. Lillie Jimerson, Sis. Alma Keith. **COMMITTEE**—Sis. Ella Peck, Bro. Billie Powell, Sis. Ora Maye Pernell.

**DIVINE COMMITTEE**—Thursday morning: Bro. Norman Woodruff brought the message. Thursday night. Bro. Ed Sunday brought the message. Sis. Rust conducted divine service. Friday morning: Bro. Leonard Crowder from Fort Smith brought the message. Friday night: Bro. Glen Dipboye from Fort Smith brought the message. Sis. Pauline Apple conducted divine service. Saturday morning: Memorial Service: Bro. O. D. Wickem brought the message. Divine committee, Sis. Violet Oliver, Bro. Mounts, Bro. Moon.



## CLERK'S FINANCIAL REPORT

As Eureka Association Clerk, I beg leave to report the Balance, Collections and Expenditures for the year beginning September 1, 1956 and ending August 28, 1957.

Report is as follows:

### BALANCE AND COLLECTIONS:

Balance September 1, 1956 .....	\$ 6.61
Deposited September 4, 1956 .....	147.97
Deposited October 2, 1956 .....	15.50

Total Balance and Collections ..... \$170.08

### DISBURSEMENTS:

State Association Fee, paid Oct. 8, 1956 .....	\$ 34.50
Assistant Clerk's Fee, paid Nov. 6, 1956 .....	15.00
Clerk's Fee, paid Dec. 18, 1956 .....	25.00
Printing Association Minutes, paid Dec. 27, 1956 .....	80.00
Stamps, Envelopes, Pencils and Supplies .....	1.58
Banking Charges for Year .....	1.08

Total Disbursements ..... \$157.43

Total Balance and Collections for Year ..... \$170.08

Less Total Disbursements for Year ..... \$157.43

Leaves a Balance August 28, 1957 of ..... \$ 12.65

Sincerely submitted, Fred Duncan, Association Clerk.

Lessie Bailes, Assistant Clerk.

## YARD COMMITTEE REPORT

Balance Sept. 1, 1956 .....	\$173.05
Deposited year 1957 to Sept. 1st .....	610.08
Total .....	\$783.13
Disbursements to Sept. 1, 1957 .....	\$341.39
Balance .....	\$441.74

Youth and Association Funds combined. Bro. Bob Bailes, Bro. Otho Williams, Bro. Will LaFave, committee.

## EUREKA ASSOCIATION COOPERATIVE PLAN REPORT

Sept. 1st, 1956, Aug. 31st, 1957

Received for Cooperative Plan .....	\$745.65
Amount Retained for Association (5% of the total) .....	\$ 37.28
Amount Sent to State Treasurer .....	\$708.37
Balance from Last Year .....	\$ 36.28
Association's Part This Year .....	\$ 37.28
Total .....	\$ 73.56
Paid Out for Song Books .....	\$ 38.00
Balance Left In Treasury .....	\$ 35.56

Respectfully submitted, Rev. Ed S. Sunday, Treasurer.

## COLLECTIONS FOR 1957

1.	STIGLER	\$ 5.00
2.	IRON BRIDGE	5.00
3.	ROCK FORD	5.00
4.	OAK RIDGE	5.00
5.	OLD PANTHER	5.00
6.	McCURTAIN	5.00
7.	BROOKEN	5.00
8.	ROSE HILL	5.00
9.	KEOTA	5.00
10.	POTEAU	5.00
11.	PANAMA	5.00
12.	CASS	5.00
13.	LONE ELM	5.00
14.	PRAIRIE GROVE	5.00
15.	KEEF'ON	5.00
16.	STAR	5.00
17.	PORUM	5.00
18.	PERRY	5.00
19.	MURRY SPUR	5.00
20.	TAMAHA	5.00
21.	HOYT	5.00
22.	FISH CREEK	5.00
23.	CHRISTIAN GROVE	5.00
24.	CROSS ROADS	5.00
	Mr. and Mrs. Gean Robertson	5.00

## FINANCE COMMITTEE—COLLECTIONS FOR 1957

1.	HOYT	\$ 8.00
2.	CROSS ROADS	5.00
3.	TAMAHA	5.00
4.	PRAIRIE GROVE	8.00
5.	KEOTA	13.00
6.	CHRISTIAN GROVE	8.00
7.	ROSE HILL	3.00
8.	KEEF'ON	8.00
9.	PORUM	5.50
10.	POTEAU	10.00
11.	IRON BRIDGE	8.00
12.	OAK RIDGE	10.00
13.	STIGLER	15.00
14.	CASS	5.00
15.	OLD PANTHER	10.50
16.	STAR	2.50
17.	PANAMA	11.00
18.	MURRY SPUR	5.00
19.	PERRY	8.00
20.	BROOKEN	3.00

21. FISH CREEK	3.00
22. ROCK FORD	8.00
23. McCURTAIN	13.00
24. LONE ELM	13.00

### CHURCHES AND DELEGATES

1. STIGLER—Sister Ruby Maxwell, Sis. Bee Kelly, Sister Maggie Ragle, Sister Ordellia Spittler, Alt. Bro. Ed Sunday, pastor; Sister Eula Martin, clerk.

2. HOYT—Bro. Monroe Gideon, Sister Lizzie Gideon, Sister Dixie Brown, Sister Carletta Finney, Alt. Rev. U. C. Purdom, pastor; Sis. Rusha Gideon, clerk.

3. POTEAU—Sis. Iva Smith, Sis. Nancy Rice, Sis. Louise Burden. Rev. I. L. Florence, pastor. Sis. Nell Davis, clerk.

4. CASS—Bro. Buster Cones, Sis. Myrtle Cones, Bro. Joe Kates, Sis. Kates, Alt. Rev. C. N. Rose, pastor. Sis. Bertha Robinson, clerk.

5. PERRY—Sis. Etta Peck, Bro. Omer Moore, Sis. Susie Moore, Sis. Ruby LaFave, Alt. Rev. C. A. Brown, pastor. Sis. Nettie Booth, clerk.

6. IRON BRIDGE—Bro. Redman Brigance, Bro. Wilburn Cordle, Sis. Estella Shepherd. Rev. Hubert Brown, pastor. Sis. Zelma Brigance, clerk.

7. PANAMA—Sister Fletis Rust, Sis. Ethel Regon, Sis. Dessie Carter, Sis. Ora Bell Moon, Alt. Rev. Charles Flynn, pastor. Sister Fletis Rust, clerk.

8. LAFAYETTE—Bro. W. H. Powell, Bro. Don Robertson, Sis. Alva Patton, Sis. Lucille Holt, Alt. Bro. Dolphus Lamb, pastor. Sis. Beatrice Pugh, clerk.

9. KEOTA—Sister Addie Mooneyham, Bro. Cleburn Shepherd, Sis. Alice Tabor, Sis. M. L. Lowe, Alt. Rev. Hubert Brown, pastor. Sister Lora Tabor, clerk.

10. OAK RIDGE—Bro. Bob Bailes, Sis. Junita Robertson, Sis. Maud Fowler, Sis. Violet McSpadden, Alt. Rev. C. N. Rose, pastor. Sis. Lessie Bailes, clerk.

11. MURRY SPUR—Sis. Jo Anna Lovell, Sis. Alva Swift, Sis. Wanda Davis, Sis. Anna Riggs, Alt. Rev. Charles Hanna, pastor. Bro. Howard Cantrell, clerk.

12. CHRISTIAN GROVE—Sis. Liddie Perkins, Bro. Buster Ridenour, Sis. Veda Ridenour, Bro. Ray Ridenour, Alt. Rev. Curtis Maxwell, pastor. Sis. Lena Ward, clerk.

13. PORUM—Bro. F. C. Mount, Bro. Joe Boen, Sis. Potter, Bro. Lewis Hoose. Alt. Rev. A. A. Holdridge, pastor. Sis. Clayton Stephens, clerk.

14. OLD PANTHER—Sis. Flora Mae Pinnell, Sis. Neta Ward, Sis. Minnie Nix, Sis. Ludie Sawyer, Alt. Rev. C. N. Rose, pastor. Sis. Yvonne Nix, clerk.

15. STAR—Sis. Imogene Jones, Sis. Asa Lee Harris, Sis. Floncis Hearst, Bro. Phil Harris, Alt. Rev. Dale Tankersley, pastor. Sis. Alva Foster, clerk.

16. TAMAHA—Bro. Fred Eckles, Sis. Kate Eckles, Sis. Hester Cole, Bro. Lester Cole, Alt. Bro. U. C. Purdom, pastor. Sis. Clara Ward, clerk.

17. CROSS ROADS—Bro. Jess Venable, Bro. Mac Adams, Sis. Morris, Sis. Gertie Adams, Alt. Rev. L. B. Clark, pastor. Sis. Allie Peevyhouse, clerk.

18. KEEFTON—Bro. Nipps, Sis. Nipps, Bro. Carol, Sis. Carol, Alt. Rev. Norman Woodruff, pastor. Sis. Junita Hopkins, clerk.

19. ROSE HILL—Bro. George Fowler, Sis. Bess Fowler, Bro. Albert Simons, Bro. Henry Royce, Alt. Rev. Norman Woodruff, pastor. Bro. Vanis King, clerk.

20. FISH CREEK—Bro. Billie Colbert, Sis. Nettie Colbert, Sis. Grovie Pugh, Sis. Thelma Powell, Alt. Rev. Norman Woodruff, pastor. Sis. Marie Kasiner, clerk.

21. McCURTAIN—Sis. Tamer Madewell, Sis. Thelma Phillips, Sis. S. A. Lemley, Sis. Williams, Alt. Rev. Paul Duncan, pastor. Sis. Ruby Hartwick, clerk.

22. ROCK FORD—Bro. Elmer Duncan, Sis. Anna Duncan, Bro. Cullen Locke, Bro. Walter Blaylock, Alt. Rev. Hubert Brown, pastor. Sis. Alice Hendrix, clerk.

23. LONE ELM—Sis. Agnes Mooneyham, Sis. Fannie Blauvelt, Bro. Milborn Cowan, Bro. Jack Perdue, Alt. Rev. Curtis Maxwell, pastor. Sis. Dorsie Medlock, clerk.

24. BROOKEN—Bro. Charles Howell, Sis. Iva Howell, Sis. Christean Coffman, Sis. Ester Westbrook, Alt. Rev. U. C. Purdom, pastor. Sis. E. A. Prince, clerk.

#### DELEGATES TO OTHER ASSOCIATIONS

ROBERTS McGEE—Bro. Bob Bailes, Bro. O. D. Wickem, Sis. Wickem, Bro. Dale Tankersley, Alt.

ZION HOPE NO. 2, Fort Smith, Ark., which convenes on Friday night before the third Sunday in September. Del. Sis. Dessie Carter, Sis. Lessie Bailes, Bro. and Sis. Otho Williams.

#### ASSOCIATION MINISTERS

1. Rev. Otis Farris .....	Savannah, Oklahoma
2. Rev. Ed S. Sunday .....	Stigler, Oklahoma
3. Rev. Dale Tanksley .....	Stigler, Oklahoma
4. Rev. Carl Pugh .....	Poteau, Oklahoma
6. Rev. Clark Cariker .....	Hoyt, Oklahoma
7. Rev. Meb Atkinson .....	Stigler, Oklahoma
8. Rev. Emery Barnes .....	Stigler, Oklahoma
9. Rev. Hubert Brown .....	Keota, Oklahoma
10. Rev. C. A. Brown .....	Kinta, Oklahoma
11. Rev. L. B. Clark .....	Spiro, Oklahoma
12. Rev. Edgar Cole .....	Keota, Oklahoma
13. Rev. I. L. Florence .....	Poteau, Oklahoma
14. Rev. B. E. Hickman .....	Stigler, Oklahoma

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| 15. Rev. A. A. Holdridge .....  | Hoyt, Oklahoma      |
| 16. Rev. Roy Bryant .....       | Stigler, Oklahoma   |
| 17. Rev. C. N. Rose .....       | Keota, Oklahoma     |
| 18. Rev. Gerald Chester .....   | Poteau, Oklahoma    |
| 19. Rev. Wilbur Clark .....     | Poteau, Oklahoma    |
| 20. Rev. J. W. Weldon .....     | Keota, Oklahoma     |
| 21. Rev. C. E. Kennedy .....    | Keota, Oklahoma     |
| 22. Rev. Henry Long .....       | McCurtain, Oklahoma |
| 23. Rev. B. H. Peevyhouse ..... | Stigler, Oklahoma   |
| 24. Rev. U. C. Purdom .....     | Hoyt, Oklahoma      |
| 25. Rev. Curtis Maxwell .....   | Keota, Oklahoma     |
| 26. Rev. L. T. Brown .....      | Keota, Oklahoma     |
| 27. Rev. John Morris .....      | Stigler, Oklahoma   |
| 28. Rev. J. E. Smith .....      | Stigler, Oklahoma   |
| 29. Rev. Norman Woodruff .....  | Lequire, Oklahoma   |
| 30. Rev. Paul Duncan .....      | Tulsa, Oklahoma     |
| 31. Rev. C. I. Edwards .....    | Poteau, Oklahoma    |
| 32. Rev. Walker Wood .....      | Porum, Oklahoma     |
| 33. Rev. Hugo Smith .....       | Stigler, Oklahoma   |
| 34. Rev. Oma Viles .....        | Nashville, Tenn.    |
| 35. Rev. O. D. Wickem .....     | Panama, Okla.       |

## **YOUTH ENCAMPMENT MINUTES**

### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. House called to order by the Moderator.
2. Letters called for and received.
3. Right hand of fellowship is extended.
4. Election of Officers.
5. Reading Rules of Order.
6. Petitionary Letters called for.
7. Introductory Sermon to be preached.
8. Inviting visiting brethren to seat in council.
9. Appointment of Committees.
10. New Business.
11. Miscellaneous Business.

About one hundred and sixty five registered. Churches represented by letter were: Lone Elm, Christian Grove, Rose Hill, Cass, Prairie Grove, Haskell, Stigler, Poteau, McCurtain, Panama, Perry. Churches represented by statement were: Hoyt, Iron Bridge, Star, and Oak Ridge.

### **CAMP GROUND RULES**

1. A bell will ring 5 minutes before bedtime.
2. 30 minutes after lights go out, talking will stop.
3. No one is to leave the camp ground without a sponsor.
4. No one is to leave class or regular church service without special permission from sponsor.
5. No literature, other than the Bible or Religious material is

to be brought on the camp grounds.

6. At 7:00, a bell rings; at 7:30, breakfast.

7. Each one assigned to special camp duties.

8. Someone to register each one coming on the camp ground.

### **WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION**

Services were opened by choir singing "Victory In Jesus".

Bro. James Williams read devotional from the second chapter of 1st Timothy.

Bro. James Williams, President, declared conference open, nominations were in order, the following officers were elected: Bro. Wayne Wagner, President; Bro. James Williams, Vice President; Sis. Lola Williams, Clerk; Sis. Jackie Harrell, Assistant Clerk; Sis. Linda Stanridge, Song Leader; and Sis. Jackie Harrell, Pianist.

Sis. Louise Wood, Bro. Kenneth Conrad and Bro. Dan Oliver were selected as the devotional committee.

Prayer by Bro. Wayne Wagner.

Bro. Estes taught a very interesting lesson on "FAITH".

Special singing by Haskell Trio, "Heaven's Gonna' Shine".

Report of devotional committee, Sis. Bernice Oliver to lead devotional and Bro. Estes to bring message. The Lord wonderfully blessed with one soul being saved.

Conference adjourned until 1:00 o'clock. Lunch was served.

### **WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION**

Services were opened by prayer led by Sis. Glenda Honeycutt. Had congregational singing and Bro. Dan Oliver read Scripture from Psalms 111.

Report of devotional committee: Sis. Glenda Honeycutt to lead devotional and Bro. Dale Tankersley to bring message.

Letters were called for, read, received and delegates were seated.

Choir sang another song after which we were led in prayer by Sis. Estes.

Bro. Sunday taught a good lesson on the very appropriate subject of "OBEDIENCE".

Dismissed by Bro. Paul Duncan.

### **GROVE SERVICE.**

### **WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE**

Services opened by choir singing "A City of Light". After several other songs, we had a United Prayer.

The remainder of the service was omitted because of stormy weather, but in the after service God gloriously blessed with seven souls being saved.

### **THURSDAY MORNING SESSION**

Services opened by choir singing "Won't It Be Wonderful There". We all had a United Prayer.

The choir sang another song and Bro. Duel Cone read the devotional from the 45th chapter of Isaiah.

Prayer by Sis. Violet Oliver.

Letters were called for, read, received and delegates were seated.

Report of devotional committee: Retain Sister Honeycutt and Bro. Tankersley for the morning service.

A special song was rendered by Sis. Jackie Harrell and Sis. Linda Stanridge of Haskell.

Bro. Florence taught a very inspiring lesson on "GIVING GOD YOUR HEART IN THE DAYS OF YOUR YOUTH" after which an invitation was given and God gave us four souls.

We were dismissed by Bro. Paul Duncan. Lunch was served.

#### **THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION**

Services opened by choir singing "Where He Leads I'll Follow", after which we had a United Prayer.

Letters were called for, read, received and delegates seated.

After several other songs by the choir, a special song was arranged by Bro. James Williams.

Report of devotional committee: Retain Sis. Honeycutt and Bro. Dale Tankersley.

Bro. Kennedy did not attend so Bro. Paul Duncan taught in his place on the subject "CAN A PERSON FALL FROM GRACE AFTER ONCE BEING SAVED".

Had a ten minute recess after which the Poteau League presented a very inspiring play "A MOTHER'S PRAYER".

Quartet arranged by Bro. James Williams sang "I Choose Jesus".

Entered into conference to elect sponsors and Food Committee for the next year.

Sponsors elected for Boys were: Bro. Paul Duncan, Bro. Dale Tankersley and Bro. Buster Cone.

Sponsors elected for Girls were Sis. Lola Williams, Sis. Myrtle Cone and Sis. Rosa Estes.

Motion made and seconded that we elect the following Food Committee: Sis. Bertha Robinson, Sis. Lessie Bailes, Sis. Beulah Williams and Sis. Artie Lee Nolen.

Took out the 8th Rule of our Camp Ground Rules.

Business adjourned until next day.

Dismissed by Sis. Bernice Oliver.

GROVE SERVICE.

#### **THURSDAY NIGHT SERVICE**

Services opened by choir singing "Way Down Deep In My Soul", after which we had a United Prayer.

We had several special songs after which Sis. Glenda Honeycutt took charge of Devotional Service.

Had more special singing rendered by different Churches.

Bro. Dale Tankersley brought the message and God wonderfully blessed again with 11 souls being saved.

Did not dismiss.

### FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Services opened by Choir singing, "I Love My Saviour Too" after which we had a United Prayer.

Sis. Carolyn Roberts read the devotional from Psalms 100.

Prayer by Sis. Bernice Oliver.

Report of devotional committee, Bro. James Hartwell to lead devotional and Bro. Duell Cones to bring message at 11:00 o'clock service.

After another song by the choir Bro. Norman Woodruff taught a very good lesson on the timely subject of "THE MODERN DAY HEALING".

Had another song by the choir after which Bro. James Hartwell took charge of devotional service.

Special singing rendered by the Barkley Sisters.

Bro. Duell Cone brought the message, an invitation was given and six souls gave their hearts to God.

Dismissed by Bro. Lonnie Long. Lunch was served.

### FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Service opened by choir singing, "When We Sing Around the Throne Eternal", after which we had a United Prayer.

After several other songs by the choir, special singing was rendered by the Barkley Family, "A Falling Star".

Bro. Rose taught a good lesson on the subject of "CAN A MAN BE SAVED WITHOUT RECEIVING THE HOLY GHOST".

Had singing by choir and report of devotional committee. Sis. Patsy King to lead devotional, Bro. Paul Duncan to bring the message.

Prayer by Sis. Glenda Honeycutt.

Had report of Churches and Registration.

We were reminded that all money is to be sent to Bro. Bob Bailes, Treasurer, (Specifying whether money is for Youth Camp or for the Association).

A committee of two composed of Sis. Patsy King and Sis. Linda Stanridge were selected to watch over the Girls' Dorm and see that it is kept clean and orderly.

A committee of two composed of Bro. James Hartwell and Bro. O. W. Mize was selected to watch over the Boys' Dorm and see that it is kept clean and orderly.



Motion made and seconded that we elect the following delegates to represent our Association at the State Youth Encampment: Bro. O. W. Mize, Bro. Jerry Estes, Bro. James Mize were elected as delegates and Sis. Joan Barbee was elected as alternate.

Motion made and seconded that we appoint the following committee to select our teachers for the next year: Bro. Ed Sunday, Bro. Snoden Robinson, Sis. Zelma Brigrance, Bro. Kenneth Conrad and Sis. Linda Stanridge.

Motion made and seconded that we do not pay our teachers of our Association.

Conference adjourned until Wednesday morning, before the Third Sunday in June, 1958.

Dismissed by Bro. Norman Woodruff.

GROVE SERVICE—2 Souls were saved.

### FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Service opened by choir singing "We Never Will Part", after which we had a United Prayer.

Several special songs were rendered by different Churches.

Sis. Patsy King took charge of devotional service and Bro. Paul Duncan brought the Message.

Services were dismissed by Bro. Howard Thompson.

Teachers and Subjects for the following year are as follows:

Bro. Ed Sunday—Related Subjects From the Bible (chart used).

Bro. Norman Woodruff—Free Will Baptist Doctrine.

Bro. James Williams—Music.

